

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES

Ground was broken at Stanford University Sunday for what is to be the largest college library in the country.

A mob of masked men broke into the house of George H. Bush, near Irving, Mo., and shot Bush and his wife, the former being fatally wounded. The cause for the attack is known.

The United States prohibition of iron ore in 1902, according to a report to the geological survey, was 25,919,298 long tons, valued at \$16,328,115. This is a decrease of 234,827 tons from 1901, but the total is greater than the combined totals for Germany, Luxembourg and the British Empire.

The will of Jacob White, who recently died in Glasgow, Ohio, left an estate valued at more than \$50,000 to be divided between the American Board of Foreign Missions, the American Bible Society, the New York Society for the suppression of Vice and the National American and Indian Bibles Association.

During meeting of the Big Five Mining Company in Denver has ended in suits being brought by President William P. Daniels and Secretary M. C. Merrill for \$150,000 each for defamation of character against Dr. G. H. Buffa, a Boston stockholder, who charged them with mismanagement and looting of the company as a scheme to defraud stockholders.

The German stationer, Licht, estimates that owing to the drought, the continental paper crop is 20 to 25 per cent lower than that of 1903.

The body of the murdered American seaman found at Vulturehead after being five days in the water, is believed to be that of Henry Mitchell of the Olympia.

The Syracuse, Ill., champagne has opened for an eleven days' session.

Albert Phelan was fatally shot by George Smith at Taylorville, Ill., in an altercation over Smith's mother.

Charles and Taylor of Delavan, Ill., burned the safe open and secured \$150.

The Wisconsin Redmen elected A. S. Andrews of Superior grand sachem. Henry Falls was chosen for the next session.

James Hurst, wanted in Seattle, Wash., charged with attempted murder, escaped from a train moving toward Portland, Ore.

Charles Vogel, a farmer, was instantly killed at Wheel station, near Delavan, Ill., while crossing a railroad track on a hay wagon.

Frank Young, a farmer, was killed near Washington, Iowa, while at work in a field. A log fell on him, breaking his back.

Dr. Dr. Samuel P. Upham, president of the Drew Theological seminary in Madison, N. J., is thought to be fatally ill at his summer home in Cottage City, Miss. He is 66 years old.

The executive committee of the National Association of Letter Carriers will recommend a plan to divide the country into two divisions, with a chief of each division.

At the thirty-third annual commencement exercises of the Valparaiso, Ind., college the total number of graduates was 1,057, representing every state and territory.

United States Minister Thomas presented to Sen. Andrew Hoar, the Norwegian explorer of the American Geographical society's medal.

Thomas Shoups, of Petersburg, Ind., who was making a canvass for the Democratic nomination for county treasurer, is ill of smallpox.

Fred R. Baving, a newspaper man, was appointed county auditor of Gibson county, Indiana, by Gov. W. T. Miller to succeed Samuel R. Adams, resigned.

Capt. George P. E. White, commandant at the navy yard at Boston, and Capt. Charles J. Train, president of the board of inspection and survey, have been promoted to the grade of rear admiral.

Rear Admiral Backus's battleship squadron sailed from Gibraltar for Azores Islands, Aug. 13, and thence for home.

Rev. Mr. Parsons of Danville, Ill., was elected president of Parsons college at Fairfield, Ill.

Appointed Roosevelt has temporarily appointed Joseph H. Foss of New York to be secretary of Porto Rico, and Ernest S. Rockwell of the District of Columbia to be auditor of Porto Rico, to take effect Sept. 1.

The steamer Sierra, which sailed from Sydney, N. S. W., Aug. 8, for San Francisco, has on board \$1,750,000 in gold.

The gunboat Hancock, sent from San Francisco at the request of Mr. Dawson, the American minister, for the protection of American interests, arrived at Monte Christi, Santo Domingo.

The annual reunion of the veterans of southern Indiana is being held at Lincoln City.

The emperor of Japan has conferred the order of the Rising Sun upon William Hutchings, Canadian commissioner at the Osaka exposition in 1903, now Canadian commissioner at St. Louis.

President Roosevelt received a personal invitation to visit the St. Louis exposition from William H. Thompson, treasurer of the exposition company.

Julius Rumpel, a saloonkeeper of Weston, Mo., was acquitted of the murder of Dr. William J. Simpson.

Werner Albert, the tenor, has signed a contract in Berlin for forty concerts in the United States next spring.

John D. Hart, a wealthy farmer and ex-county commissioner, cut his throat while dependent and died at Greencastle, Ind.

The French and Belgian governments have again protested officially to the government at Rome against the Italian-Dominican protocol, which they claim violates the rights of French and Belgian citizens in Santo Domingo.

The Akron Telephone Company and the Toledo Telephone Company of that city have merged.

A stock car owned by Ringling Brothers' circus was destroyed by fire at Rawlins, Wyo. Fifteen horses perished, including Otto Ringling's \$1,500 animal.

Rear Admiral Edickoff, chief of the bureau of yards and docks, will award to Boies de Leon at Atlanta, Ga., the contract for building at a cost of \$1,500,000 the new United States battleship at the navy yard at Pensacola, Fla.

MORTGAGE DECISION IS MOST IMPORTANT

Equivalent to Deed When Mortgage Secures Possession Under It and Title Is Perfect.

Springfield, Ill., special: What was recently reported briefly as an inconsequential decision of the United States supreme court it now appears was nothing short of a judicial revolution concerning Illinois mortgages. The decision was given in the case of Bradley vs. Lightfoot and it completely reverses a long line of Illinois decisions beginning with the one hundred and fifth report and continuing until the present date by holding in effect that a mortgage amounts to a deed and that when the mortgage secures possession under it his title to the property is perfect. The Illinois court has been holding that unless a deed is taken out within the five-year period of redemption the title does not pass. In the Bradley case the court divided, Justices Hughes, Hand and Wilkins dissenting, and the federal court sustained them.

HEIR TO THE RUSSIAN THRONE

Son Is Born to Czarina Who Will Rule as Alexis II.

St. Petersburg, dispatch: A son and heir to the throne of the empire was born shortly after noon today. The child, who is a boy, will be czar of the Russians and will reign as Alexis II, is doing well, as is the empress mother. The hearts of the Russian people are more deeply touched by this good fortune of the imperial family, anxiously awaited for so many years, than by a dozen victories or defeats.



Mother of Newly Born Heir to Russian Throne.

leads in the far east, and the superstitious Russian character reads in it an augury of a better time. "I am happier at the birth of a son and heir," said the czar, "than at a victory of my troops, for now I face the future calmly and without alarm, knowing by this that the war will be brought to a happy conclusion."

HORSE-STEALING IS HIS MANIA

Man 84 Years Old Is Arrested After Three Terms in Prison.

Sterling, Ill., dispatch: Charles Angellier of Leaf River, at the age of 84 years, has been arrested on charge of stealing horses from William Cornwell of Leaf River and of stealing Ogle and Carroll counties. He is now in the county jail. The horse was stolen three weeks ago. The aged man has served three terms in the penitentiary for horse-stealing. Three years ago he was arrested in Wisconsin and was given a term in the penitentiary. He was free only three weeks when he again was arrested on charge of horse-stealing. He says he has a mania to steal valuable animals.

CROWDED RAFT IS SET ADRIFF

Many Women and Children Fall in Lake, But Are Rescued.

Lowell, Mass., dispatch: By the breaking of chains which held it to the shore a landing raft crowded with church picnicers was set adrift in Lake Winnepesaukee, at West Chesterford, and in the hour following twenty-five women and children were pushed overboard into different feet of water, while many others received painful bruises. The most seriously injured was Mrs. Gertrude Weaver, who was trampled upon and also suffered from nervous shock. That no fatalities resulted was largely due to the presence of mind of Rev. A. F. Emshaw and other men, who jumped into the water and brought the helpless ones ashore.

SHOOTS MAN WHO INTERFERES

Robber Murders Policeman's Rescuer When Officer Is Held Up.

St. Louis, Mo., dispatch: William Moir of 2205 North Prairie avenue lost his life for trying to rescue a victim from a highway robbery. Policeman James Lynch was on his way home when a masked robber ordered him to throw up his hands. Lynch drew his revolver, but the robber knifed him down with a blow of his weapon. Moir rushed to the assistance of Lynch and was shot dead. The highwayman then escaped.

BRITISH TROOPS IN HOLY CITY

Soldiers for First Time in History March in Lhasa Streets.

Lhasa cablegram: British troops have marched through the streets of the holy city of Tibet, the first time in history a European force has done so. The escort was given Col. Young, husband, civil commissioner, who visited the Chinese Amban. The commissioner was given assurance that negotiations with the British will begin at once.

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HIDDEN PUZZLE PICTURE.



Find the Hunter of the Buffalo.

RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR NEWS

AUG. 11, 1904. "All-Day Sea Fight"—The Port Arthur squadron is reported to have made a dash for the open sea, but the Japanese fleet, under Admiral Togo, succeeded in driving the Russian warships back after a battle lasting all of Wednesday and late this night. The desperate attempt to escape is taken as evidence that the fortress is in dire peril and its fall is near.

Reverse for Kourapatkin—Gen. Kourapatkin is declared to have met with a serious reverse, the nature of which the Russian government will not give out. A Russian force is reported to have been surprised by 3,000 Chinese bandits, losing many men.

Kourapatkin Escapes—Delay of the Japanese in attacking Kourapatkin's main army gave him the opportunity of escaping to the north. He seized the chance and ran up the up operations.

Discuss Peace—Diplomats in St. Petersburg are discussing early prospects for peace. It is believed Japan will be willing to offer terms, but Russia cannot accept.

AUG. 12, 1904. Dash From Port Arthur—A desperate dash of Port Arthur squadron for the open sea is believed to have been, in a measure, successful. Three of the Russian warships now are far to the south. The fate of the others is unknown.

Jap Cruiser Is Sunk—In a desperate battle at Round Island the Japanese cruiser Kasagi is said to have been sunk.

Japs Take Destroyer—Three Japanese destroyers entered the harbor at Chefoo and the crews landed. The Russian destroyer Rissanofel, towing it out to sea.

Battle Fleet to Sail—Orders have been given for the Baltic fleet to sail from Cronstadt on Sunday.

Seizure Is Outrage—Premier Balfour in the British house of commons declares the Russian action in sinking the Japanese cruiser Kasagi to be an "international outrage," and says this opinion of the British government already has been conveyed to Russia.

Jap Victory—Gen. Kureki reported victory for Japanese in double attack on Yungso pass.

Advance on Mukden—Japanese armies advance on Mukden from east and west. Kourapatkin is flanked at Liaoyang on both sides. Military men at St. Petersburg say he dare not retreat.

AUG. 13, 1904. Fear World War—The danger of a world war is feared as a result of the violation of Chinese neutrality by Japan. In seizing the Russian torpedo boat destroyer in the harbor of Chefoo.

May Evade Battle—Russians daily are awaiting for a great battle in the vicinity of Anshanshan, although a retreat as far north as Harbin may evade a desperate clash.

Demand Return of Boat—Russia has demanded the return of the destroyer captured in Chefoo harbor. Japan is accused of violation of laws of war.

Break Their Pledge—The Chinese accused Japanese officers of breaking the word of honor in not returning the captured Russian destroyer to Chefoo harbor.

Cruiser Sinks—The Japanese cruiser Kasagi is reported to have been sunk in the battle of Aug. 10, going down with all on board.

Dash Is Successful—The dash of the Port Arthur squadron thus far is believed to have been successful, seven of the fleeing warships being reported far south of the beleaguered fortress and the whereabouts of the others is unknown.

THREE ARE BURNED BY VARNISH

Tank Boils Over, Causing Fatal Injuries and \$10,000 Fire.

New York special: By the boiling over of a tank of varnish in the varnish works of the Travers-Balley company in Brooklyn James W. Travers of the firm, his sister Annie, who was his bookkeeper, and William Slower, violinist, were fatally burned. The burning varnish set fire to the building, causing damage to the extent of \$10,000.

Father or Fortunes?

Cleveland, O., dispatch: Eight-year-old Benjamin Needham stands between a father and a fortune. His mother bequeathed him \$10,000 providing he does not live with or associate with his father.

Confesses He Is a Murderer.

Lincoln, Neb., special: James Gold, arrested after he had tried to kill himself with a knife, confessed he was the slayer of Officer Reedy of East St. Louis, Ill., May 3, 1903.

Arrest John L. Sullivan.

Boston dispatch: John L. Sullivan, ex-champion pugilist, was arrested for drunkenness at an elevated railway station and went with his captors so meekly that spectators were overcome with astonishment.

Printers Will Meet in Toronto.

St. Louis, Mo., special: The International Typographical union convention to-day selected Toronto, Canada, as the place in which to hold the next annual convention.

Convicts Break Jail.

Jackson, Mich., dispatch: John Allison, Harry Slater and William Spellman, long-term convicts, escaped from the state prison here. The three men were members of the notorious "Lake Shore gang" of bank robbers.

Claims to Have Been Robbed.

Columbus, O., special: Clarence Dye claims he was robbed of \$300 with which he intended to pay a debt, bound and gagged and thrown on the Pennsylvania tracks.

Japanese fleet is not known. Admiral Togo reports that the majority of the Russian vessels have returned to Port Arthur, although his report is not borne out by the dispatches.

DEATH OF FORMER SENATOR VEST

Noted Statesman Succumbs After Long Illness, His End Being Peaceful.

REALIZED DECLINE WAS NEAR

In Refusing Re-election He Informed His Friends That His Days of Usefulness Were Over; His Life Work Accomplished.

Sweet Springs, Mo., special: After lingering for weeks between life and death former Senator George G. Vest passed peacefully away this morning. Gov. Dockery has issued a proclamation in which he recounts the life and public services of the dead statesman, and recommends that business generally be suspended on Thursday, the day of the funeral.

The burial will be in Bellefontaine cemetery, St. Louis. All public offices will be closed and offices on public buildings will be half-masted.

"My days of usefulness are over; my life work is accomplished."

There were the words of George Graham Vest to a friend when he announced three or four years ago that he would not be a candidate for re-election to the United States senate before the legislature of Missouri.

His Greatest Effort.

And yet it was after this declaration that Mr. Vest delivered on the floor of the senate one of the greatest oratorical efforts of his life in making a plea for free coal during the great strike in the anthracite regions some two years ago.

But Senator Vest had made no mistake. He was one of the few who recognize in himself the symptoms of waning powers, and, although he was able to arise to a great occasion, he knew that the fires were burning low and that it was better for his fame and name to retire before an inevitable collapse.

The senate chamber at Washington has held many a pathetic figure, but George G. Vest will not be remembered there as such. He was a giant in his day, and he got out from under the glare of the limelight before it cast the senile shadows of a robust past.

Native of Kentucky.

He was born at Frankfort, Ky., on Dec. 6, 1830, and in his boyhood played with Associate Justice Marshall Harlan and Senator J. S. C. Blackburn.

As a boy he was homely, precocious, and popular, and when 18 years old he was graduated from Central college at Danville.

He read law in the office of James Harlan, James Harlan had been in congress and was a whiff of Ohio old-fashioned federalism.

He took an interest in his students and advised them to study the Federalist and vote against the Democratic party. Young Vest's father encouraged his preceptor, for the elder Vest was a whig of whigs, who sat at the feet of Henry Clay.

But he was not content to feast on the mental pabulum dished up to him the sorrier he got for what he considered the political strabismus of his father and his preceptor.

He was graduated from the law department of Transylvania college at Lexington, a democrat to his fingertips, and to the hour of his death he never wavered in his faith. The same year (1853) he removed to Missouri, and was a member of the famous Claiborne Jackson legislature of 1861, which refused south and elected him to the confederate senate just before crossing the Arkansas line.

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COOK FACTION GAINS POINT IN LEGAL FIGHT

Supreme Court Restrains Secretary of State From Placing La Follette Nominees in Republican Column.

Madison, Wis., dispatch: The supreme court Tuesday morning granted a writ of habeas corpus to myself and to the hour of his death he never wavered in his faith. The same year (1853) he removed to Missouri, and was a member of the famous Claiborne Jackson legislature of 1861, which refused south and elected him to the confederate senate just before crossing the Arkansas line.

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Must Have Port Arthur—The military is said to have insisted that the fall of Port Arthur must be effected at once, even if the operations in Manchuria come to a halt, and troops are being rushed to reinforce those now before the beleaguered fortress. The fall of the fortress now is believed to be near, as the garrison's fighting strength has been weakened by continual assaults and the loss of the assistance of the fleet.

Withdraw From War—The Russian battleship Carevitch, the cruiser Askold and the torpedo-boat destroyer Grozovoi lowered their flags in the harbor of Tientsin, thus withdrawing from the war.

Report an Armistice—An armistice is reported at Port Arthur on Aug. 12. The Japanese captured three positions closer to the fortress. Russians say Japanese have 100,000 men and 450 guns.

Storm Damages Tobacco Crop.

Westfield, Mass., special: Damage to the tobacco crop to the amount of over \$100,000 has been caused in this vicinity by a hailstorm which lasted about fifteen minutes. The crop was one of the finest grown here in some time.

TRAMP'S VICTIM IS NEAR DEATH

Posse Bent on Lynching Scoundrel Country for Woman's Assault.

La Porte, Ind., special: It is reported that there is no hope for the recovery of Elizabeth Rydon, who was assaulted by a tramp near Chester, and beaten until she was unconscious, as by a hailstorm which lasted about fifteen minutes. The crop was one of the finest grown here in some time.

Offers Reward for Will Cross.

Springfield, Ill., special: Gov. Yates has issued a proclamation offering a reward of \$200 for the arrest of Will Cross, who is charged with murdering Chris Matthews at Wataga, Pulaski county, on July 23 last.

Select Convention City.

Cincinnati dispatch: The Carriage and Wagon Makers' International union has chosen Cincinnati as the meeting place for its next annual convention, which assembles Sept. 19.

Big Dog Eaten Girl.

Memphis, Tenn., dispatch: Dorothy Popee, aged 10, lies in a critical condition as the result of four bites inflicted by a 150-pound St. Bernard dog, which attacked her in the street in front of her home.

To Build British Battleships.

Glasgow cable: The Clyde shipbuilders have been asked to make tenders quickly for the construction of British battleships which will excel anything in the world.

PARKER TOLD OF NOMINATION

New York Statesman Hears Officially of His Elevation to the National Leadership of the Democratic Party—His Speech of Acceptance.

Ex-Judge Allen B. Parker, Democratic nominee for the presidency, was formally notified at Revere, N. Y., Aug. 10, of his nomination by the St. Louis convention.

The notification speech was made by Congressman Champ Clark of Missouri.

The official letter of notification received by Judge Parker was as follows:

"As the regularly appointed and duly accredited committee of the national convention of the Democratic party, held at St. Louis, Mo., on the 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th days of July, 1904, we, the undersigned, have the honor, and it is our pleasure to convey to you, as we now do, the official announcement of your unanimous nomination by that great and historic party of the people as its candidate for the office of president of the United States, at the election to be held on Nov. 8, 1904—a nomination so manifestly wise and appropriate that already the country has indicated its approval of it, and the most convincing arguments are rapidly increasing of its formal endorsement by the American people at the polls.

"Requesting your acceptance of this nomination, we are, with assurance of our high esteem and sincerest good wishes, yours respectfully,

"CHAMP CLARK of Missouri, Chairman."

The letter was also signed by all the members of the notification committee.

In the address with which Ex-Judge Parker accepted the nomination for the presidency he said in part:

"Mr. Chairman and gentlemen of the committee: I have resigned the office of chief justice of the court of appeals of this state in order that I may accept the responsibility that the great convention you represent has placed upon me without reservation.

"I am not a member of the party to which I belong, or to the eminent members of the judiciary of this state, of whom I may now say as a private citizen I am justly proud.

"At the very threshold of this response, and before dealing with other subjects, I must, in justice to myself and to relieve my sense of gratitude to the committee, express to myself the expression of my profound appreciation of the confidence reposed in me by the convention. After contemplating me and subsequently receiving a communication declaring that I regarded the gold standard as firmly and irrevocably established, a matter concerning which I felt it incumbent upon me to make known my attitude as to whether or not I belonged to the party, I have been and been secured through indirectness or mistake, the convention reiterated its determination that I should be the standard bearer of the party in the present contest. This mark of trust and confidence I shall ever esteem as the highest honor that could be conferred upon me—an honor that, whatever may be the fate of the campaign, the future can in no degree lessen or impair.

Praises the Platform.

"The admirable platform upon which the party appeals to the country for its confidence and support clearly states the principles which were so well condensed in the first inaugural address of President Jefferson, and points out with force and directness the course to be pursued hereafter by the party in order to insure needed reforms in both the legislative and administrative departments of the government.

Situation in Colorado.

"In a struggle between employers and employees dynamic is said to have been used by the latter, resulting in the loss of life and destruction of property. The perpetrators of this offense against the laws of God and man, and all others engaged in the conspiracy, must be brought to the bar of trial and conviction, have been noted out to them the most rigorous punishment known to the law. This crime, added perhaps to others, led to the formation of a committee of citizens that, with the support of the military authority, (reports of persons without name) have been and been secured through indirectness or mistake, the convention reiterated its determination that I should be the standard bearer of the party in the present contest. This mark of trust and confidence I shall ever esteem as the highest honor that could be conferred upon me—an honor that, whatever may be the fate of the campaign, the future can in no degree lessen or impair.

Tariff Helps Trusts.

"The combinations, properly called trusts, which aim to secure a monopoly of trade in the necessities of life, as well as in those things that are employed upon the farm, in the factory and in the office, have been encouraged and stimulated by excessive tariff duties. These operate to furnish a substantial market in the necessities of eighty millions of people by practically excluding competition. With so large a market and highly remunerative prices continuing long and steadily, the temptation of all engaged in the same business to combine so as to prevent competition at home and a resulting reduction of prices has proved irresistible in a number of cases.

"All men must agree that the net result of enacting laws that foster such iniquitous conditions is most certainly to enrich the few at the expense of the many. We should consider the re-election of a President. It is simply my judgment that the interests of this country are now so vast and the questions presented are frequently of such overbearing magnitude to the people that it is indispensable to the maintenance of a fitting attitude before the people not only that the chief magistrate should be independent, but that that independence should be known of all men."

"I make this statement not in criticism of any of our presidents from Washington down who have either held the office for two terms or sought to succeed in a third; but in view of the fact that the chief magistrate should be independent, but that that independence should be known of all men."

"I accept, gentlemen of the committee, the nomination; and if the action of the convention shall be endorsed by an election by the people, I will, God helping me, give to the discharge of the duties of that exalted office the best service of which I am capable, and at the end of the term retire to private life. I shall not be a candidate for nor shall I accept a renomination.

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Cradle Song.

Sweet and low, sweet and low,
Whisper of the western sea,
Low, low, breathe and blow,
Over the mill-race pool,
Come from the daisy down, and blow,
While my little one, with my pretty
one sleeps.

Sleep and rest, sleep and rest,
Father will come to this soon,
Rest, rest, on mother's breast,
Father will come to his babe in the
nest.

Sleep and rest, sleep and rest,
Under the olive tree,
Sleep, my little one, sleep, my pretty
one, sleep.

—Lord Tennyson.

WHEN THE BEES SWARMED

BY CHARLES CRAWFORD

A good many things had happened before the bees swarmed back of the house on that June day.

Dick Scott, son of the hard-headed and hard-hearted old Farmer Scott, had fallen in love with the widow Lapham's daughter before. He was barely 21 years of age, and working for his father as a hired hand, while she was 32 and owned the next farm on the east.

It was easy to get up an argument on their respective ages, showing that the disparity was too great and on the wrong side, and the father used it for all it was worth.

Farmer Scott had called upon the widow and charged her with seeking to trap his pious son, and had been promptly turned out doors. The neighbors had turned in after that, and the affair was the leading subject of conversation for five miles around.

Old Scott was no talker, but he was a good hand to think. He was very much in love, and he was determined to marry that widow as he was to live, but he couldn't stand up against the arguments of his father and the neighbors. He kept quiet and waited for an opportunity, either in some other disposition of Providence to help him out.

Whenever they were working in the fields together the father would look at the sky with a squint, take a few well-chosen words around the farm, and then solemnly remark:

"Dick, it seems awful that I've got to live in my prime and leave all this, especially before them young pair takes going to be, but I'll have to do it—I'll have to do it."

"What's the use of dyin'?" Dick would ask, knowing that he must say something.

"I don't want to, but I've got to. Can't live a week after they've went and married to the widder Lapham. The idea that my only son has gone and married his crammoney, and a woman with feet like an elephant at that, would break my heart and send me to my grave."

"Didn't you marry who you wanted to when you married me?"

"That was different. In them days women didn't set traps for young men, and widders wasn't solemnity day and night. Dick, not durn ye, what d'ye want to make a hymn of yourself for and send my gray hairs down to the grave in sorrow?"

Dick would change the subject or refuse to talk back any further, and after mulling to himself for half an hour longer, the father would get the end.

On this June day, however, when the two were repairing the rail fence between the corn and the potato field, and all nature was reveling in the balmy sunshine, the usual discussion opened with a different preliminary and became a hot war.

A peddler came down into the field to see if he couldn't make a sale of a pocket knife or a pair of suspenders, and he had a little joke to get off about the widow Lapham wearing the trousers after marriage.

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"By thunder, Dick Scott!" exclaimed the father as the peddler picked himself up and started off, "but you appear to bring eternal disgrace on this family. It wasn't, but that you must go and get all tangled up with a widder as old as the hills, but you had off and hit a peddler who'll have you in the county jail before Saturday night!"

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father at his sudden outbreak, but it had given him confidence.

The pair worked along for the next two hours without a word, and when the dinner horn blew they started for the house. The father led by a good fifteen rods.

His head was down, and he was thinking up new arguments to use, when a strange, buzzing noise suddenly reached his ears and made him halt.

He was passing close to one of the beehives, and the bees were swarming. They put out by the thousand, flying around and around, like a swarm of angry bees, and he was so startled that he began setting down on him.

His straw hat was covered in an instant, and then the little workers

rested on his shoulders, clung to his shirt-sleeves and covered him down to the knees. He reached out his right hand and grasped a young peach tree to support himself, but there was all he could do.

Dick came swimming along about the time the last bee had settled down, and he stopped short with a look of amazement. Then the look changed to a grin, and he sat down on the frame of the grandstand, crossed his legs and said:

"Dad, I wouldn't be in your place for three of the best cows in Hillsdale county!"

"Dick, I'm a dead man!" replied the father in a hoarse whisper.

"You surely are. You ain't got a' dle of a broken heart because I marry

the widder Lapham, but because about 1,000,000 bees are goin' to jab their stingers into you at the same time. You'll feel wuss'n that peddler did—far wuss."

"Dick," continued the father, "you must get out of them new hives and put some fresh honey around it and try to coax them bees off. They may begin to sting me any minute!"

"Yes, dad, they may, and they'll hear your yell clear down to Schenck's where's the first fifty stingers go. I'll see about the live hives. I want to talk with you first. How do you think the widder Lapham is?"

"For heaven's sake, but what has the widder Lapham got to do with them bees? Get that hived!"

"After we've had our talk. How old did you say she was?"

"A little over 30, I guess, but I'm high end of right."

"You keep still and you'll be all right. How big are the widder's feet?"

"Durn you, Dick, will you see your own father perish this way?"

"You're not perishing. How big are her feet?"

"Same as your father's, or smaller. Now get the hives."

"Purty soon, dad. How about the widder settin' raindrops?"

"Dick Scott!" exclaimed the father in his loud tones as he dared use, "them confounded bees are swarin' down my back and into my ears!"

"Yes, they are naturally swarin' to know who you are. Do you reckon the widder set mantrap for me, dad?"

"No. Great lands, how I suffer!"

"The case is just like this, dad: The widder is at least ten years older than me, but we love each other, and want to get married. You married to please yourself, and I shall do the same thing. You and me have had a heap to say about it, and you've said some purty hard things, but I guess you're willing to take them all back and keep shop. Do I understand it that way, dad?"

"Never, Dick—never!"

"Then you stand still and I'll go to dinner. If I hear you yell I shan't come, as fit will be too late. Do you want a big funeral, dad?"

"Dick, have I got to chew my words? I'm pleading myself the father."

"Or else let the bees chew you."

"Then, Dick—then get that hive up here in less'n a minute and begin to gently scrape them infernal insects off, fer I'm right on the plot of faintin' away."

"And the widder, dad—the widder?"

"Marry the widder, and be durned to you!"—Charles Crawford in Boston Globe.

No Time for Classics.

Sir Cyril Bridge, vice for a knowledge of the classics as "most useful to naval officers," serves to recall a famous incident in the career of Admiral Rodney. In the middle of one of his great sea fights Sir Charles Douglas, full of enthusiasm for the classics, said to Rodney: "Behold, Sir George, the Greeks and Trojans contending for the body of Patroclus!" to which the Admiral peevishly replied: "Damn the Greeks and damn the Trojans! I have other things to think of." After the battle was won, however, the brave old Rodney went up to Douglas and said: "Now, my dear friend, I am at the service of your Greeks and Trojans and the whole of Homer's 'Iliad,' or as much of it as you please."—Westminster Gazette.

Swiftest Ocean Liner.

The Kaiser Wilhelm II just now enjoys the reputation of being the swiftest of all ocean liners. Recently, she made the run from New York to Plymouth at the average rate of 23.65 knots an hour. The best previous record, that of the Deutschland, was 23.67 knots.

Boys Captured Lawbreakers.

Three Swiss boys who were shooting at a target in Neuchâtel the other day with toy rifles, saw some men robbing a house of dead pipe men. They captured them.

Buildings in Berlin.

In Berlin, with a population of about 2,500,000, the number of new buildings erected has averaged 2,123 a year during the last six years.

MORE THAN 100 LIVES LOST

Railroad Wreck Near Pueblo, Colo., One of the Worst of the Year—Many Bodies Buried in Quick-Sand Beyond Hope of Recovery.

Pueblo, Colo., dispatch: One hundred persons are dead, a locomotive, three cars and a railway bridge destroyed, while the treasure in the safe of the Wells-Fargo company is lost as the result of the accident to the fast train of the Missouri Pacific system at 8 o'clock Sunday night. Train No. 11, known as the World's Fair Flyer, while on the tracks of the Denver & Rio Grande, near Eden, about eight miles from here, had reached the trestle spanning the usually dry arroyo of Steele's Hollow. A recent cloudburst warned Engineer Charles Elmhurst that he was running cautiously not more than fifteen miles an hour, as he approached the ninety-six-foot span. The fireman, Frank Mayfield, with torch in hand, was leaning from the gangway watching for signs of danger, but all appeared safe, and the locomotive, one of the monster passenger type, moved along the trestle.

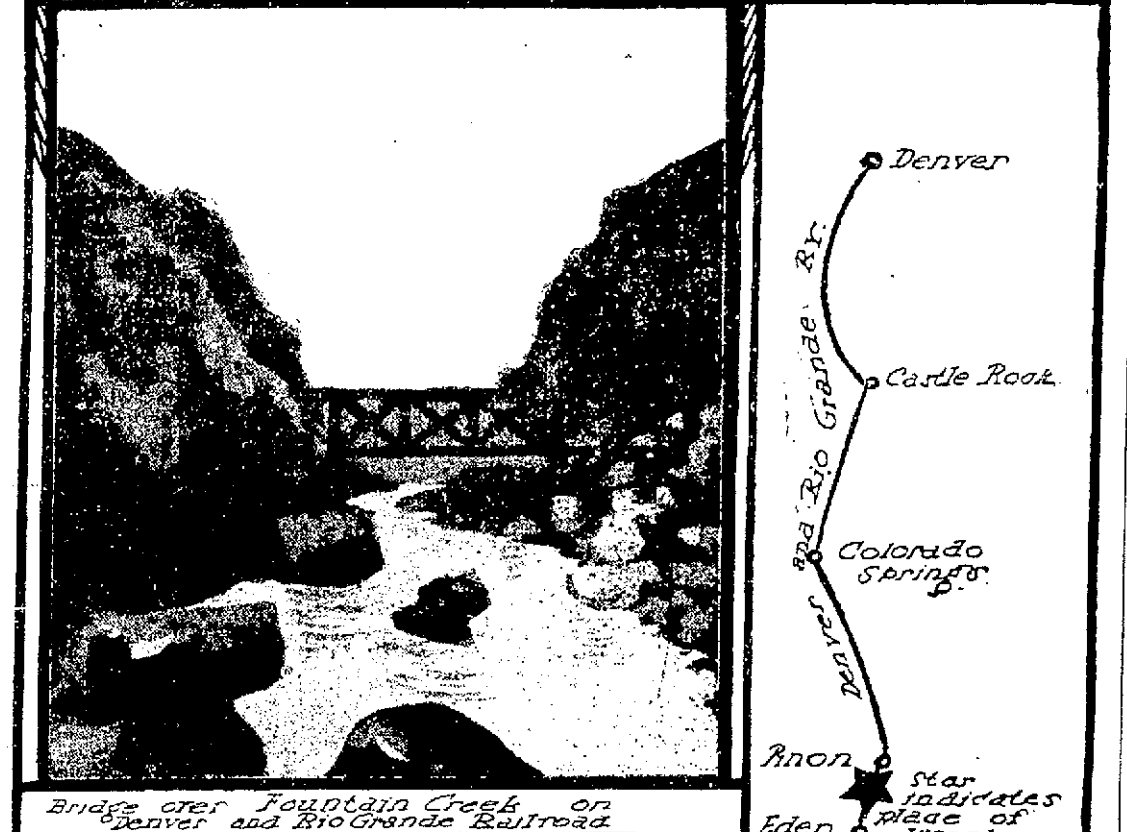
Almost instantly came a tremor in the great machine, then as Hindman reached for the air brake and shouted his mate to extinguish the torch, the crash came.

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SCENE OF COLORADO WRECK, WHERE MORE THAN ONE HUNDRED PERSONS LOST THEIR LIVES.



which stuck above the water. Some bodies were found lodged in the shrubbery along the banks, others in the wreckage in midstream, and many half buried, with only an arm or a bit of clothing to reveal their whereabouts. It required eight strong men to lift the water-soaked body of one woman to the shore, and a skirt and a hat found on the bank could scarcely be lifted with the fingers of one hand.

Many of the bodies were almost naked, the clothing having been torn completely off. Many of them were slightly bruised, probably from the first shock of the wreck, but there was little blood visible when they were removed from the stream. The hands and faces were blue and translucent. An almost general thing with all the corpses was that the hands were raised when they were laid on their backs, but all appeared in good condition.

Without doubt the great majority were drowned like rats in a trap when the cars were plunged into the whirling water thirty-five feet deep, 100 feet wide, and with a current strong enough to carry thousands of pounds of weight a mile before subsiding.

Some searchers worked all night and all day and never once thought of eating or resting. Persons were constantly arriving and anxiously inquiring for lost ones known to have been on the train.

By 9 o'clock the place was dotted with vehicles, each with its load of anxious seekers or the morbidly curious. More than a thousand persons were on the scene two hours before noon, and the roads in every direction were filled with streams of others going away.

Bodies recovered were identified very slowly because many of them were those of strangers, who had been to the fair at St. Louis and other eastern points. Major F. W. Whitman of Kansas was identified by a watch presented to him by the members of the Twentieth Kansas volunteers in which his name was engraved.

The fountain river still rushes with the impetus of the flood, and the arroyo has a clear, dry stream trickling along where the fatal mass of water rushed a few hours before. The earth on either side is swept clean by the flood.

The walls of the so-called Dry creek are rugged, irregular, caving and

enish three cars, but between myself and them there was a chasm fully fifty feet wide, through which dashed a river almost level with the ground upon which I stood. Opposite me I could make out the outlines of three cars, but the other four that usually make up No. 11 were nowhere in sight.

"I started across the mesa in the direction of the river, which was high and making much noise. After walking about half a mile I saw near the bank a dark object. It was almost stationary in midstream, with one end swinging toward the left bank. I slipped off my clothes and plunged in, swimming in the direction in which had come, as I knew the strong current would carry me down stream.

"By proceeding in this course I managed to get to the object, which proved to be a chair car, half on its side and held in position by an arm of land extending into the stream probably fifteen feet. The roof of the car was gone, and inside there was not a soul to be found.

"There were two survivors of the wreck that I know of, the fireman and a passenger in a chair car. His story he told me in a dazed manner, for the man was really bordering on lunacy. It seems he was sitting in the third chair from the rear of the engine when the train turned upward, and the suddenness precipitated him through the window, and after turning a complete circle, he landed on the bank."

After wandering about since the accident, William H. Henry, a traveling man whose home is given as Greenville, Tenn., reached Pueblo Tuesday. He is nearly blind, and almost crazy from hardship and exposure. He had been carried nine miles down the river and had been walking aimlessly about without food or water. He was taken to a hospital where he is lying in a serious condition. He was unable to give a coherent account of how he saved it or what happened to him.

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WISCONSIN NEWS

CONTRIBUTIONS FROM SPECIAL CORRESPONDENTS THROUGHOUT THE STATE

WANT TO AMEND CHARTER LAW

League of Municipalities in Session at Appleton to Consider Matter.

With upward of seventy-five members and officials of cities of the third class in attendance, the eighth annual meeting of the League of Municipalities of Wisconsin opened in Appleton, Wis., Saturday afternoon. Among the most important business to be transacted at this session will be the preparatory steps toward a demand for legislative action resulting in radical amendments in the general charter law. One among the demands to be made upon the legislature will be to will the passage of an act bearing specifically upon the acquisition, ownership and control of public utilities, such as water and lighting plants. The object of the proposed amendment to existing laws on this subject will be to grant municipalities greater rights and power over private corporations.

A state law will also be asked for providing for the discontinuance of municipal contract work and the ownership by the city of complete works for such work as street paving, sprinkling systems and general improvements. The object of legislation in this direction is to prevent contracting and create for cities a source of revenue from the profits accruing from street employment.

RAILROADS SETTLE TAXES

Returns Swell General Fund of the State Treasury to \$1,295,875.92.

Aug. 10 was the last day for the payment of railroad taxes for the year and half of the current year, and the receipts from this source swelled the balance in the general fund of the state treasury to the close of July, 1905, Tuesday night to \$1,295,875.92. This amount includes the \$158,900 refund from the federal government for civil war expenditures. Some of the largest payments by the railroads were: Chicago & Northwestern, \$11,277,692; Wisconsin Central, \$11,249,977; Chicago, St. Paul, Milwaukee & Omaha, \$10,451,120; Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, \$14,519,112; the Soo, \$24,213,143; Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, \$27,625,773; balance on its semi-annual tax of \$302,623.73; Northern Pacific, \$13,301,002; Green Bay & West ern, \$10,096,677.

PAPER MAKERS SECURE GAIN

Howard Paper Company Holds Conference With the Union Men.

Union paper makers in Appleton and Neenah are jubilant over the prospects of their winning their fight against the manufacturers. During a two hours' conference between Charles W. Howard of the Howard Paper company of Neenah and President Mackey of the International Brotherhood of Paper Makers, it was said that Mr. Howard announced that he is done with nonunionists in his mill and intimated that he would make overtures to the strikers before the end of the week that would probably result in a settlement of the strike, so far as his mill is concerned.

HAD NEVER SEEN HIS FATHER

Appleton Barber First Meets His Parent in Reunion at Chicago.

William Doyle, a barber who for several years has been in Appleton, returned to Chicago, where he made the acquaintance of his father, whom he has never seen. Mr. Doyle was under the impression that all his relatives had died. He was taken from home in infancy and had never seen any of his family. Recently an attorney made a search for him, located Doyle's father, who is a resident of Chicago. A brother who lives in Milwaukee also was located. A family reunion was held at the father's home in Chicago.

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The Hockan, Minn., convent, which for thirty-eight years has been a branch of the Notre Dame sisters of Milwaukee, has been sold. It has been converted a school and orphanage since its establishment in 1866 and was an important fixture in the religious life of the community.

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NUMBER OF INSANE INCREASES

Chronic Cases in County Asylums in the State Total 1054.

The state board of correction has received the work of the county asylums for the year ending June 30, 1905. The report shows an increase in the number of chronic cases from 1054 to 1104. Of this amount the county of Lincoln has the largest number, 144. The county of Adams has 124, and the county of Dodge has 124. The county of Grant has 124, and the county of Jackson has 124. The county of Jefferson has 124, and the county of Johnson has 124. The county of Lincoln has 144, and the county of Adams has 124. The county of Dodge has 124, and the county of Grant has 124. The county of Jackson has 124, and the county of Jefferson has 124. The county of Johnson has 124, and the county of Lincoln has 144. The county of Adams has 124, and the county of Dodge has 124. The county of Grant has 124, and the county of Jackson has 124. The county of Jefferson has 124, and the county of Johnson has 124. The county of Lincoln has 144, and the county of Adams has 124. 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